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The Honorable Scott McCallum Governor, State of Wisconsin 115 E. State Capitol Madison, WI 53702

Dear Governor McCallum:

I am pleased to submit the 132nd Wisconsin Insurance Report covering 2000.

Wisconsin's tradition of sound regulation, combined with strong consumer protections, continued over the past year. Highlights of OCI's accomplishments and innovations are as follows:

| Implementation of legislation and administrative rules relating to Medicare supplemental and long-term care insurance, and continuing education; |
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| Implementation of legislation and development of administrative rules relating to independent review organizations and grievances, privacy and producer licensing; |
| Further improvement and enhancement to information available on the OCI Internet site to include: |
| Financial and market conduct examinations reports, Frequently asked questions for health, auto and homeowner's insurance, Annual and quarterly statement packets, Premium tax forms; |
| Implementation of a workplan to monitor and develop policy on regulation and enforcement of insurance electronic commerce activities; |
| Publication of <i>Guía del Consumidor para Seguros de Vivienda</i> , a Spanish version of the <i>Consumer's Guide to Homeowner's Insurance</i> ; |
| Implementation of a study to evaluate the feasibility of having companies file Wisconsin-specific forms electronically over the Internet; |
| Announcement of a 25% decrease in annual fees which participating health care providers must pay to the Patient's Compensation Fund. |

Sincerely,

Connie L. O'Connell Commissioner

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